Please cancel "TIE ligand" and replace it by -- TIE ligand homologue-- at the following locations: page 3, lines 13, 16 and 28; page 4, lines 8 and 10; page 5, lines 24, 25 and 26; page 6, lines 12, 17, and 23; page 9, line 3; page 10, lines 2, 6 (two occurrences), 10, 15, 19, and 22; page 11, lines 13 and 14; page 12, lines 18-19; page 14, lines 3, 7, and 13; page 16, lines 11 and 15; page 19, line 25; page 20, lines 4-5, and 14; page 21, lines 17, 18, and 19; page 22, line 2; page 23, line 9; page 24, line 13; page 25, lines 6, 7, and 8; page 27, line 3; page 28, line 22; page 29, line 1; page 34, lines 17, and 22-23; page 35, line 25; page 36, lines 4, 17, and 24-25; page 37, lines 1 and 18; page 38, line 1; page 39, lines 9, 10, and 11; page 41, lines 3 and 27; page 42, lines 1, 5, 7, 10, 17, 21, and 22; page 43, lines 3, 13 (two occurrences), 22, and 25; page 44, lies 1, 17, 21, 23, 25, and 26; page 45, line 7; page 61, line 8.

On page 2, line 12, please cancel "TAI-2" and replace it with --TIE-2--.

On page 51, line 27, correct the spelling of "assocateld" to read --associated--.

On page 51, cancel lines 17-19, and replace them with - A clone of FLS139 was deposited with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209, on September 18, 1997 under the terms of the Budapest Treaty, and has been assigned the deposit number ATCC 209281.

On page 52, cancel lines 15-17, and replace them with A clone of NL1 was deposited with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209, on September 18, 1997 under the terms of the Budapest Treaty, and has been assigned the deposit number ATCC20928.--

On page 61, line 16, cancel "12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, MD, USA (ATCC)", and replace it with -- 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209, USA (ATCC)--.

On page 61, cancel lines 19-21, and replace them by the following:

--NL1-DNA22779-1130

ATCC209280

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NL5-DNA28497-1130

ATCC209279

September 18, 1997

NL8-DNA 23339-1130

ATCC209282

September 18, 1997.--

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 8 as follows:

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(Twice Amended)

An isolated polypeptide,

- [(a) selected from the group consisting of human NL1 (SEQ. ID. NO: 2), human NL5 (SEQ. ID. NO: 4), and human NL8 (SEQ. ID. NO: 6), each containing a fibrinogen-like domain; or
- (b) a polypeptide having at least about 90% sequence identity with the fibrinogen-likedomain of a human polypeptide of (a) comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.

